

## House Resolution No. 4512

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals who have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens or distinguished themselves through significant personal achievement; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize Officer Cynthia Utterback, of Perry, Missouri, an employee at State of Missouri Department of Corrections Women's Eastern Reception, Diagnostic and Correctional Center in Vandalia, Missouri, who heroically saved the life of another human being; and

**Whereas**, on June 1<sup>st</sup> of this year, Officer Utterback and another officer were alerted to an in-progress suicide attempt, by hanging; and

**Whereas**, with the assistance of the other officer, Officer Utterback was able to thwart the offender's attempt to take her own life, while following all of the appropriate procedures with a cool head and keen judgment; and

**Whereas**, Officer Utterback is the past recipient of two Caught-in-the-Act awards and one Lifesaver Award and is a member of the Missouri Correctional Officers Association; and

**Whereas**, Officer Utterback is the beloved wife of Rodney Utterback, and they are the devoted parents of three children, Ashley, Zachary, and Shelby:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our congratulations and gratitude to Officer Utterback in light of her exemplary service; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Officer Cynthia Utterback.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Rachel L. Bringer  
District No. 6

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,  
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 4512, adopted November 3, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker